

# LETTING OFF STEAM AT THEVENT

**H**oards of teenagers were milling about in cliques in the church in anticipation of the doors opening to THEVENT; a night where local bands come to play for those organised enough to book a ticket on time.

I lounged on a sofa inside and wondered why I didn't feel at all intimidated by the spiked lip piercings, studded boots, wild hair and uniformly black clothes that sucked all light from the surrounding area. I put it down to the general friendliness and happiness of most of the people there. Many people sat outside to chat over free drinks of hot chocolate.

Others sat in the prayer tent for deeper conversation and prayer (hence the name). Most people appeared to know each other, yet even if they didn't they were ready to get to know new people. If given half a chance considering the deafening rock music inside.

Whether people had come to see the bands or just meet with friends, everyone enjoyed the music, jumping together, moshing together, dancing together...

I reckon they all agree with me that THEVENT is one of the easiest places to have a good time.

(To get tickets for the next Vent visit [www.oxygen-online.org](http://www.oxygen-online.org))

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